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COMMENT OF THE DAY

The Release Of Makarios

THE release of Archbishop Makarios from exile in the Seychelles is a development which should, but not necessarily will, lead to an appropriate settlement of the Cyprus dispute. The archbishop has gained his freedom on the strength of a declaration which calls upon Eoka to cease its acts of hostility. Significantly, however, reservations are implied, and the statement cannot be regarded as wholly satisfactory.

The archbishop's appeal to the British government to "abolish simultaneously the present state of emergency" may appear to be innocuous enough, but the inference discernible is that should not this request be complied with, Eoka would be free to pursue its campaign of terrorism. The hope was that Makarios would unequivocally denounce terrorism and associate himself with a policy of peaceful negotiations for the establishment of a new constitution for Cyprus.

Nothing appears in the archbishop's statement which suggests that he is prepared to accept a settlement on anything less than the island's union with Greece; and by adopting the Greek government's interpretation of the United Nations resolution calling for a resumption of negotiations, he tacitly rejects the proposal made by Lord Ismay for Nato arbitration in the dispute.

WHAT future role Makarios is to play in the endeavours to settle the Cyprus problem remains to be seen. The Greek Cypriots undoubtedly will continue to regard him as their chief spokesman; and the British government would be content to recognise him as such if he were to display any willingness to modify his attitude to the proposals for constitutional reform embodied in the Radcliffe report. Archbishop Makarios will shortly have the opportunity of expressing himself in this direction.

The Radcliffe proposals are not necessarily the last word to be said by the British government in the search for a Cyprus settlement, but they do represent the basic British viewpoint and in essentials are the most the government can offer for the time being. They provide for gradual self-government and they accept the principle of self-determination. To go beyond that at present would not serve the interests of the inhabitants of Cyprus as a whole.

The release of Archbishop Makarios is welcome if for no other reason than it promises to bring to an end terrorism in Cyprus which in turn will permit abolition of the state of emergency. With passions cooled it may be possible for the Greek Cypriot leaders to recognise the fairness of the Radcliffe constitutional proposals and to accept them at least as a firm basis for further negotiations.

Another China Mail Cartoonist

Among the China Mail's many cartoons, features and news stories tomorrow we introduce a brilliant new cartoonist with a punny Scottish pen — "Gabriel" now drawing for the China Mail under his own name "Freel".

Read:

★ "Down With the Ship Again Lad!" Lee Armour and Low have something to say about the rash of strikes in Britain.

★ "The Clash of the Blues." Robin Hutton says "To-morrow's Oxford-Cambridge boat race started as a tark."

★ Will Sir Hartley Shawcross bring new life to Britain's Labour Party?

★ "The Curse of Kariba" brings floods on the Zambezi.

★ Pakistan acts to check a holy war against Indian troops in Kashmir.

And don't forget the Intelligence Report, Record and Book Reviews, the Stage, and life in New York.

EGYPT AGREES TO ARBITRATION

US Shipowners Warned Against Using Canal

Cairo, Mar. 28. Egypt has agreed in principle to arbitrate through the United Nations disputes arising from her operation of the Suez Canal, high Arab sources said today.

The sources claimed that Egyptian President Gamal Abdel Nasser and United Nations Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjold reached agreement on the point during their talks, but the agreement will not be mentioned in the forthcoming memorandum outlining Egypt's plan for operation of the Canal.

Under the reported plan a watchdog committee of experts would report to the United Nations any departure from Egypt's pledges to operate the Canal according to the 1888 Convention.

Egypt will also devote a percentage of the tolls, probably 25 per cent, to development of the Canal, the sources said.

Any political disputes might be decided by political organs such as the General Assembly and legal disputes by the International Court under the reported scheme.

Egyptian political adviser Aly Sabry announced today that the Canal would be open "around April 10" and a detailed memorandum will be published on April 4 setting out the Egyptian plan.

Time For Persuasion

Western diplomats believed that the schedule left time in which to persuade Egypt to accept "improvements" on the plan. Egyptian Foreign Minister Mahmoud Fawzi outlined Egypt's plan to a series of ambassadors, including the United States, in the last two days.

Informed sources said the plan specified: All tolls were payable to the Egyptian Canal authority or specified banks abroad.

Secondly, Egypt will set aside a certain percentage of the tolls for the development of the waterway.

Third, Egypt would live up to the 1888 Convention.

Fourth, Egypt would register the memorandum with the United Nations as a binding international pledge.

Sources also said Fawzi told the ambassadors that Egypt did not intend to raise the tolls now.

Diplomatic sources believed the United States would seek certain improvements in the Egyptian plan including an Egypt undertaking to consult users before raising tolls.

Form Of Consultation

It would also seek some form of consultation on the use of funds set aside for the development of the Canal, if not an outright joint account, and perhaps an increased percentage of tolls to be devoted to development.

Meanwhile, UN Assistant Ralph Bunch conferred earlier today with UN financial expert John J. McCloy.

However, US State Department experts were studying the proposals for operating the Canal with a marked lack of enthusiasm, according to informed sources in Washington.

British and French officials said that so far there had been no consultation on the subject between their embassies and the State Department. But British officials said there "certainly" would be working-level talks soon.

The State Department awaited a full report from Mr Henry Cabot Lodge, the chief United States delegate to the United Nations, on his meeting today with Mr Hammarskjold.

Officials hoped that Mr Hammarskjold, fresh from his Cairo talks with President Nasser, would be able to clear up a large number of questions posed by the Egyptian plan.

Pending such clarification, officials declined to comment on the Egyptian proposals beyond saying that "nobody feels like cheering."

US Owners Warned

In the meantime the State Department advised US shipowners today not to use the Canal until its physical and legal hazards "have been fully eliminated."

Mr Lincoln White, State Department press officer, said they had "counselled prudence in the immediate use of the Canal." But he emphasised there was no prohibition on the use of the Canal.

Mr White said: "The Department advised that its information was that danger from hazard in the immediate approaches to the Canal, notably the Gulf of Suez, may not have been fully eliminated."

"Also, that discussions were still in progress between United Nations Secretary-General and the Government of Egypt with respect to future operation of the Canal."

In Jerusalem, the Israeli Government decided to send a test ship through the Canal but this move will not be made before Britain and France try to settle their differences with Egypt over Canal tolls, an Israeli Foreign Ministry spokesman said tonight.

The spokesman added that Israel's move to assert her right of free passage through the Canal would be made in accordance with the Security Council's resolution in 1951.

"We will not push to the head of the queue over the issue of Canal traffic," the spokesman stated.

No Sailing Date Set

According to shipping sources in Haifa, a ship flying the Israeli colours will be sent from Haifa through the Canal but no date for the sailing has yet been fixed. — United Press and Reuter.

GAS USED ON CROWD

Nicosia, Mar. 28. British security forces used tear gas to disperse crowds demonstrating in the centre of Limassol tonight.

A radio announcement said tonight that Eoka men who wish to accept the British offer of safe conduct out of Cyprus should give themselves up from 8 a.m. tomorrow.

There are only 18 men on the Government's current public wanted list, headed by George Grivas, Eoka's chief. But there are many more Eoka men who are on other wanted lists, though the figure is not known. — Reuter.

Employers Will Talk To Unions

Strike End Possible

London, Mar. 28. Employers today raised hopes of ending a strike of 1,000,000 British engineers by offering to enter into direct talks for more pay with the trade unions.

Mr Ian Macleod, the Minister of Labour, gave the House of Commons first news of this break in the deadlock.

The Minister spoke about 30 hours before another 500,000 men in the London area are due to join the strike.

The employers' offer was possibly "the last chance of saving the country from a disastrous stoppage," Mr Macleod told the Commons, but he added that many problems remained unsolved.

"If we do not find a settlement very quickly it is not easy to see an early or quick end to these disputes," he declared.

FOURTH DAY

Aircraft and other industrial plants engaged on export contracts in many parts of the country were at a standstill for the fourth full day today through the stoppage, while a parallel strike by 200,000 ship-builders kept the nation's shipyards silent for the 13th successive day.

About £200 million of contracts have been held up in the shipyard strike while the engineering stoppage has severely hit production of exports.

Today saw the first clashes between pickets and police. At Bristol and Manchester police had to hold back strikers to allow lorries to enter factories. Outside the Bristol Aeroplane Works a police inspector said: "Tempers seemed to be getting frayed." — Reuter.

IWO JIMA VOLCANIC ERUPTION

Honolulu, Mar. 28. A volcanic eruption on the southern end of Iwo Jima spewed small rocks, ash and steam high into the air over the famous World War II battleground today.

A message received here from the 6363rd air base squadron of the US Far East Air Force said the eruption left a crater 100 feet in diameter. Activity lasted 60 minutes before dying down.

The message said the southern end of the island was declared out of bounds to military personnel, but no buildings were endangered. It said the eruption tossed five inch stones 150 feet into the air, and steam and ash 30 feet. — United Press.

Mollet Wins 33rd Vote

Paris, Mar. 28. The 14 months old government of M. Guy Mollet won its 33rd vote of confidence at midnight.

The unofficial result was given as 221 votes for the Government and 186 against.

The deliberate abstentions by the various conservative and centre groups were estimated at about 160, reflecting the disagreement of these groups with the Government's financial policy, but indicating their continued support of the government's action in Algeria.

The 14-months-old government, which holds the post-war record for survival, obtained its vote of confidence after a two-week debate on home and foreign policy. — Reuter.

CHINA EMBARGO STATEMENT: COMMONS TOLD "WAIT FOR MACMILLAN"

London, Mar. 28. SIR David Eccles, President of the Board of Trade, replied "none" in the House of Commons today when asked by Mr Douglas Jay (Labour) what fresh guidance he had given to industry in the light of the Bermuda conference on the strategic embargo on British exports to China.

Mr Jay asked: "Does this mean

DR ADAMS MURDER TRIAL SENSATION

Specialist's Admission

London, Mar. 28. The rich old widow whom Dr John Bodkin Adams is accused of drugging to death was treated in a hospital with injections of morphine before she ever came under the Eastbourne physicians, his defence counsel claimed today.

The barrister, Mr Geoffrey Morrell, produced a sensation on the eighth day of the doctor's trial for murder by confronting a medical expert with nursing notes of the hospital treatment of the widow, Mrs Edith Morrell.

Slowly he asked the specialist in the witness box: "Leaving out murder at the moment, as a matter of medical practice you are condemning each one of those three doctors for the use of morphine after a stroke."

Yesterday the specialist, Dr Arthur Douthwaite, had testified for the prosecution that in his opinion Dr Adams intended to kill Mrs Morrell with injections of morphine and heroin.

He had stated morphine should never be given to a patient suffering from a stroke, except in a case of acute mania.

Fateful Opinion

Dr Douthwaite replied: "Yes, if used simply for the stroke."

Defence counsel had started his cross-examination by questioning the expert about his statement yesterday that the amount of drugs given Mrs Morrell in the last five days of her life must have been meant to kill her.

He asked Dr Douthwaite if he had ever expressed "graver or more fatal opinion" on a matter of medicine. Dr Douthwaite replied "No." — China Mail Special.

Alleged Slander Of French Army

Paris, Mar. 28.

George Montagnac, Director of the French Progressive Catholic weekly, *Temoignage Chrétien* (Christian Testimony) was today indicted on charges of slandering the army.

The charges were filed upon a complaint by the Ministry of Defence. Montagnac said he believed the charges were based on the publication of material concerning "certain methods of pacification in Algeria."

Meanwhile, Pierre Courteau, editorial writer of the Communist daily *L'Humanité* was fined 40,000 francs by a Paris court for harming the territorial integrity of the nation.

The charges were based on two articles written by Courteau in August, 1955, affirming the existence of an Algerian state.

Last week, Jean-Jacques Servan-Schreiber, editor of the weekly *L'Express*, was indicted for harming the morale of the army after having published a series of articles on his experiences as a recalled reserve officer in Algeria. — France Presse.

US State Department Appeal To China: RELEASE OTHER CITIZENS

Washington, Mar. 28, The United States Government called today on China to release expatriates.

According to the eight American citizens still in gaol.

"The State Department continues to hope that the Communists will abandon their cynical disregard of their unqualified pledge to take measures expeditiously," the State Department spokesman said.

The spokesman, who had been asked to comment on the release by China or another American citizen, Father Fulgence Gross of Chicago, replied by the following statement:

"Although the State Department is of course happy to learn that Father Gross has been freed from prison, it can in no sense regard this release as a fulfillment by the Chinese Communists of their agreed announcement of September 1955. Under that announcement, the State Department spokesman went on, the Chinese Communists declared that the Americans were to be allowed expeditiously to exercise their right to return to the United States."

"Not only have the Chinese Communists failed to take the measures to expedite the release of the Americans, but they have also repeatedly denied to these prisoners the rights of communication with the British Embassy in Peking, which is explicitly guaranteed to them." — France Presse.

US PILOT KILLED

Taipei, Mar. 28. A US Air Force helicopter crashed five miles south of Taiwan today killing the pilot and two crew members. A passenger was injured.

The helicopter was attached to the 33rd Air Rescue Squadron at Ashiya, Japan, on temporary duty in Formosa. — United Press.

AT LAST — The Strapless Bra that really Stays Up

Three Points

Stassen, replying in effect to Tuesday's call for an immediate temporary ban on tests pending final settlement, reiterated previous American policy that tests can be halted only:

★ If East and West agree to inspection of armaments.

★ Controls are imposed to prevent surprise attack.

★ Agreement is reached on means of reducing the future nuclear threat.

Informants said he told the conferees that technicians should first get together to establish the possibility of undetected tests.

As a starter he suggested that Russia inform the UN disarmament when, where and how many atomic explosions it has conducted in the past two years.

While officials did not say so, it was apparent that with this information Western scientists could check the explosions detected by radioactivity monitoring instruments and see if Russia had carried out any without detection.

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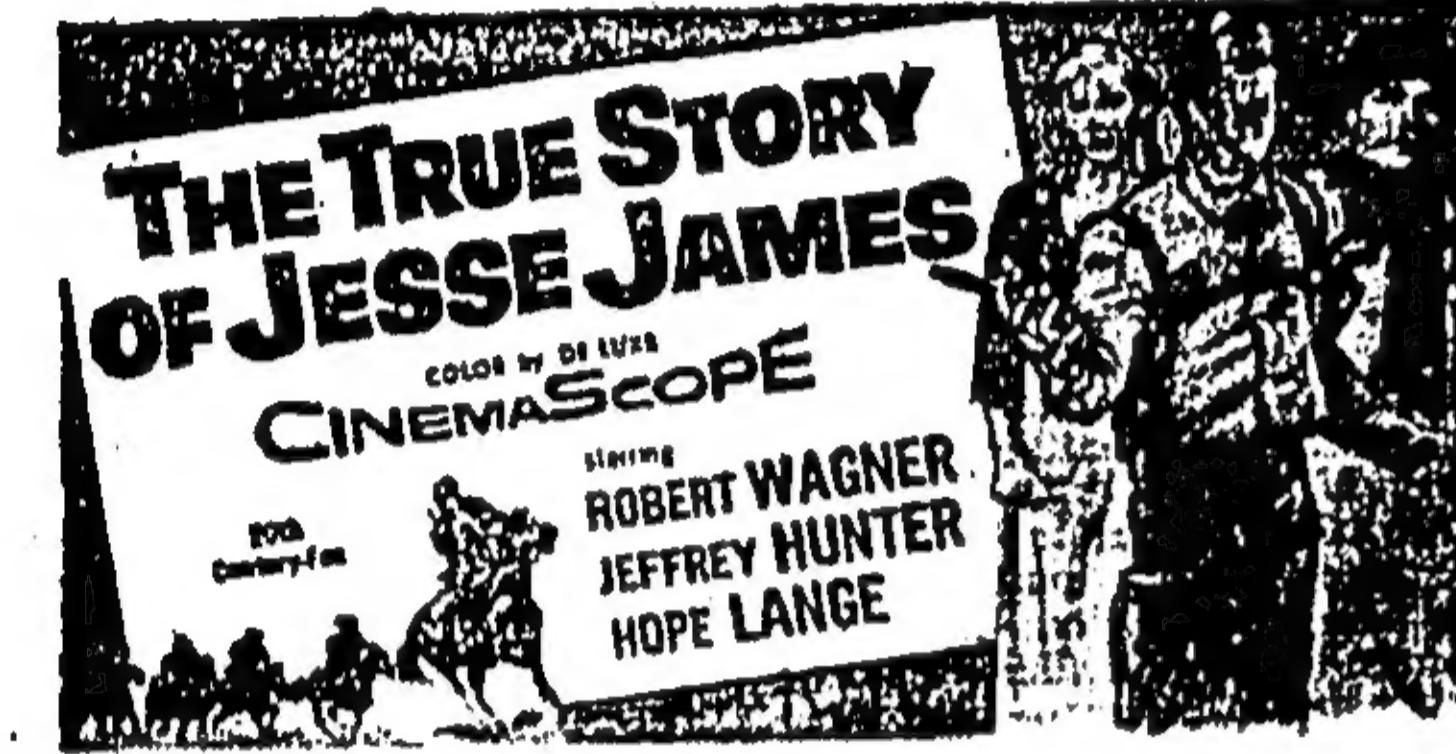
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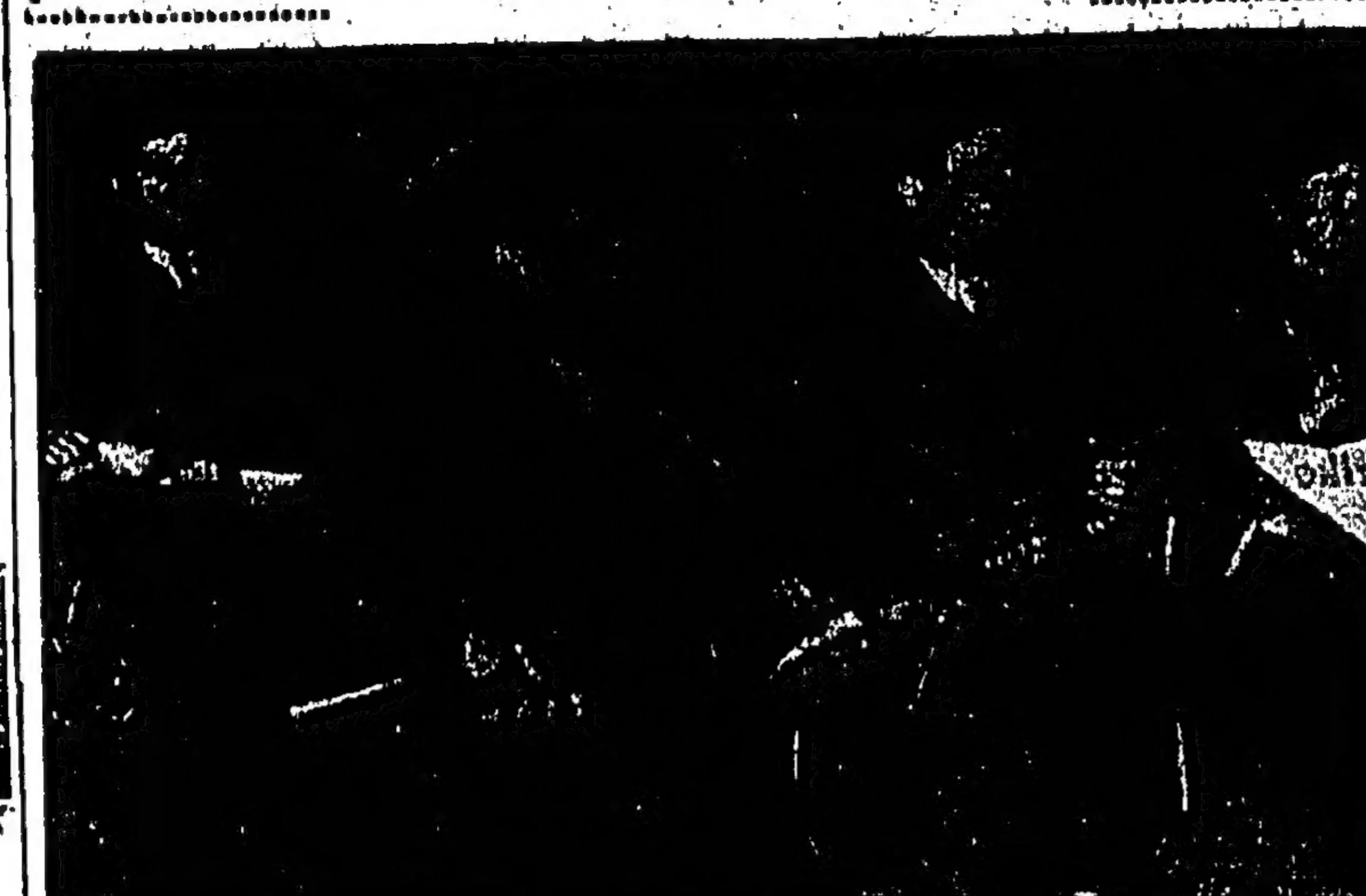
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RED ARMY TO STAY IN HUNGARY

Country Must Be 'Protected' From The West

Budapest "Workers Guard"



Armed with machine guns, members of the "Workers Guard" of Budapest's 15th District take the oath of allegiance to the Kadar Government. The ceremony took place in the Cultural Hall. — London Express Photo.

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Geneva, Mar. 28. The Director-General of the International Labour Organisation, Mr David A. Morse, said in a report today there were "real and widespread" apprehensions about the advent of automation and atomic power.

In an ILO survey prepared for the International Labour Conference here next June, he said the only way such apprehensions could be countered was by concentrating on facts, by watching the employment situation closely and by careful economic planning.

"Technological progress holds out great savings in labour," he said. "These savings could be taken in the form of higher output, in shorter hours, or in unemployment."

The problem was how to arrive at a satisfactory combination of the first two and to avoid the third.

For many countries the main danger of unemployment might arise not from too rapid but from too slow progress in automation and other technological developments.

Seven-point Plan
"Past experience shows no reason to believe that technological innovations lead to a decrease in the global volume of employment," he said.

Mr Morse offered a seven-point plan "for reinforcing efforts to promote labour-management co-operation in planning, introducing and carrying through technological changes."

His plan called on those concerned:

1. To consult together at all stages;
2. To deal in good faith;
3. To agree on changes which promote the welfare of the undertaking and of the workers who belong to it;
4. To divide equitably the benefits of technological improvements;
5. To seek justice in distributing the burden of change;
6. To remove special hardship wherever possible and deal generously with any such cases as may arise; and
7. To work together to ensure that the government is effectively spreading its net of social protection to care for the casualties of change. — China Mail Special.

Aid For Children

Paris, Mar. 28. The executive board of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation today decided to spend up to \$200,000 on emergency educational aid for children who were "the victims of recent events in Hungary and Egypt."

A Unesco official said the Executive Board approved the proposal by 20 votes in favour, none against, and two abstentions—the Soviet Union and India. — Reuter.

Visits Premier

Tokyo, Mar. 28. The Nationalist Foreign Minister, Dr George Yeh today visited the Japanese Prime Minister, Mr Nobusuke Kishi.

Dr Yeh arrived last night from New York. He was expected to leave here for Taipei tomorrow. — Reuter.

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'SUBVERSION IN
ASIA WORSENS'

Washington, Mar. 28. Ngo Dinh Nhu, brother of South Vietnamese President, Ngo Dinh Diem, warned today that Communists were intensifying "subversive" activities in Southeast Asia.

Ngo is here on a world tour as personal representative of President Ngo Dinh Diem. He said it would be desirable for the Vietnamese President to visit the United States during the first part of this year.

He added that the second half of the year might be marked by events which would make Ngo Dinh Diem's visit difficult.

An example of the intensification of Communist subversive activities in Southeast Asia, Ngo Dinh Nhu said, recent frontier conflicts in Burma, the death of Philippines President Ramon Magsaysay, and events in Bangkok. — France-Press.

Washington, Mar. 28. A Storm of Love, Fury, Spectacle and adventure floods the Screen!

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THE CHURCH BELLS RING IN CYPRUS: CHEERS FOR BRITISH IN 'MURDER MILE'

**Cypriots MAKARIOS THIS IS
WILL SOON A WRONG
Say: BE BACK Say: STEP**

Nicosia, Mar. 28.
Church bells in Nicosia rang out tonight as Cypriots celebrated the news of the release of Archbishop Makarios. On Nicosia's Ledra Street, notorious as "murder mile", Cypriot youths cheered British troops who seemed to share the general air of festivity.

MALAYA ADOPTS STATE RELIGION

Kuala Lumpur, Mar. 28.
The Malayan Chief Minister, Tengku Abdul Rahman, said today that Islam would be the state religion of Malaya when it became independent.

Speaking to an extraordinary general assembly of the United Malaya National Organisation, the Chief Minister said a clause proclaiming Islam as the state religion would be written into the country's new constitution.

The draft constitution now being examined by the Federal Government and the Malayan State rulers, does not contain such a clause, which UMNO has been demanding.

The Chief Minister also said that Malay would be the only national language, although English would be used for a period of ten years.

The special interests of the Malay community would be the responsibility of Malaya's paramount ruler, he said. Both points had been UMNO demands.

He added that dual citizenship, which was conditionally provided for in the draft constitution, would not be permitted.—France-Press.

Ecafe Meeting Ends

Bangkok, Mar. 29. Thailand's Deputy Foreign Minister, Rak Panyarachun, closed the 43rd session of the Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East today, saying the meeting had been as successful as could be expected.

Panyarachun, Chairman during the nine-day meeting, said delegates would seek a remedy for Asian poverty caused by fast population increase.

He suggested they should return home with thoughts on the possibility of "planned parenthood" as a remedy to Asian

Nicosia's Metaxas Square, the scene of dozens of anti-British riots during the past two years, was tonight an unbroken mass of cheering people. Not since V.E. Day has Cyprus seen such celebrations.

Along the pavements Cypriots kissed British soldiers and were cheered by them in return.

A seething throng of men, women and children, some still in their slippers and pyjamas, shouted "Enosis and Makarios, Enosis and Makarios" while processions with Greek flags, palm branches and portraits of Makarios swept past towards the Greek Consulate.

A Greek Cypriot spokesman declared: "This is the best piece of news we have had since the emergency began."

Greek-Cypriots were jubilant as the news spread like wildfire through the streets of the island's capital.

Disappointment

But there was disappointment among the island's Turkish community. A Turkish spokesman said: "The Turkish community receives the news of Makarios's release with disappointment. We consider this is a wrong step to take at the present time."

"We wish to add that should the British Government start to negotiate and agree with Makarios, the Turkish community will never recognise such an agreement."

Work stopped and Cypriot-Greek men, women and children poured into the streets of Nicosia and other towns of Cyprus this evening when a radio bulletin from London gave the news.

Some women cried in the street and many crossed themselves, saying: "Our Ethnarch is free."

Going To Greece?

From balconies and rooftops, doorways and verandahs the news was shouted on until the whole town knew.

Church bells, whose ringing is restricted only to religious occasions under the emergency regulations, rang out all over the capital.

In Famagusta, a large crowd of Cypriot-Greeks gathered around the Cathedral of St Nicholas.

It was believed that Makarios would now go to Greece for contact with the Greek government and Cypriot representatives in Athens in the next step in the Cyprus question.

They added that it was to be expected the emergency regulations in Cyprus should be relaxed after Makarios made his appeal for pacification.

Patrols Withdrawn

Although it was stipulated that Archbishop Makarios was not to come to Cyprus, everyone in the streets of Nicosia tonight took it for granted that the "Ethnarch will soon be at our side."

British patrols were withdrawn from Nicosia shortly after the news. But it was too short a notice for patrols in other places, and island-wide operations to be called off. This is expected to be discussed at a high level military conference tonight.

As Zeka men have been offered safe exits, it was considered likely that operations would be called off tomorrow morning.

Bishop Yennadios of Salamis officiated at a special doxology at St John's Church tonight while thousands of youths chanted the Greek national anthem outside.

Long Live Makarios

A procession began from the churchyard, with banners and Greek flags, and thousands of Cypriots shouting "Zeka Makarios" — "Love live Makarios."

British military police on patrol nearby were cheered and there were dozens of handshakes.

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One Of The Last To Be Caught

Stylano Lona, whom British authorities in Cyprus rate Number Three in the Zeka terrorist hierarchy, lies in an RAF hospital bed in Limassol after his capture by British forces.—London Express Photo.

RUSSIA SAYS ISRAEL PREPARING NEW WAR AGAINST EGYPT

Paris, Mar. 28.
The Soviet Union today accused Israel of preparing a "new aggression" against Egypt, and warned that an attack against Egypt "would create a dangerous situation and a direct threat of a broad armed conflict, with grave consequences for the cause of peace".

The Soviet declaration was contained in an official statement distributed by the Tass news agency, and broadcast by Moscow radio.

The statement indicated that Israel's "aggressive plans" were being made with the connivance of certain "circles" in France and the United States.

Although it was stipulated that Archbishop Makarios was not to come to Cyprus, everyone in the streets of Nicosia tonight took it for granted that the "Ethnarch will soon be at our side."

British patrols were withdrawn from Nicosia shortly after the news. But it was too short a notice for patrols in other places, and island-wide operations to be called off. This is expected to be discussed at a high level military conference tonight.

As Zeka men have been offered safe exits, it was considered likely that operations would be called off tomorrow morning.

Bishop Yennadios of Salamis officiated at a special doxology at St John's Church tonight while thousands of youths chanted the Greek national anthem outside.

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Sydney Ferry Collision

Air Cover

Sydney, Mar. 29. Three hundred city-bound passengers escaped injury early this morning when the 500-ton ferryboat Dorothy collided with a tug and ran aground near Admiralty House at Kirribilli Point.

The passengers were taken off by launch within an hour of the accident, which happened at 6.45 this morning.

The ferry is one of Sydney's biggest, carrying passengers from seaside suburbs mainly to the city. Early reports said that, although there were no casualties, the boat was badly damaged.

"It is indicated that if necessary, French air forces are prepared to take part in an attack against Egypt, and to cover the Israeli troops. And there is open display of the preparations made in France to support Israel in its aggression against Egypt."

"It is to be noted that these press reports have not been denied by the French Government."

"All of these facts must necessarily draw the attention of world public opinion, which resolutely condemned the aggression committed against Egypt by France, Britain and Israel."

"It is indicated also that these guarantees, given to Israel, stem from a 'gentlemen's agreement' concluded between the American

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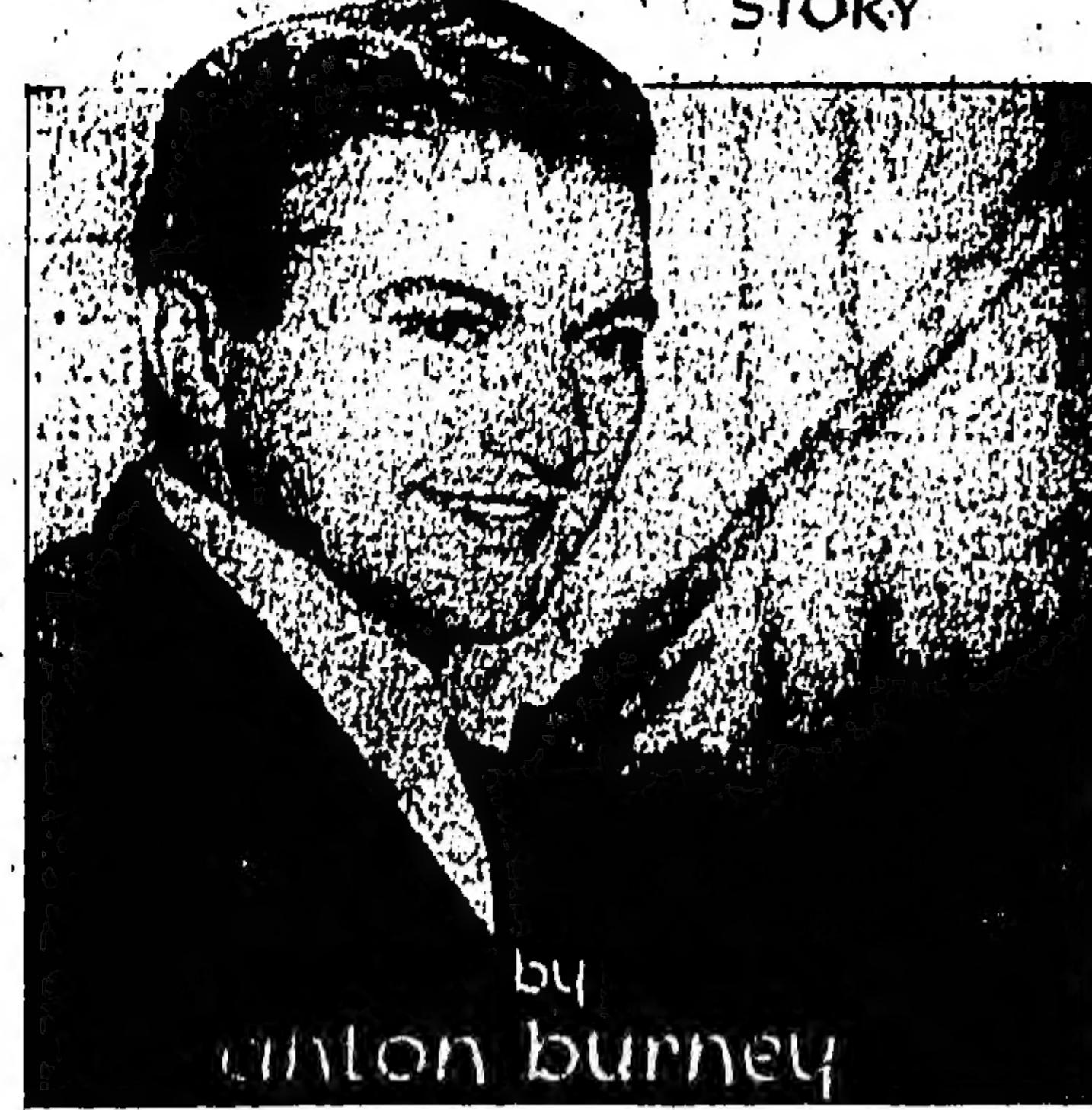
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THE LIBERACE STORY



by Clinton Burney

There are two ways of approaching a new thing in the world, whatever it may be—an old, cautious approach, or something new, to match the newness of the new thing that has come into the world. Look at it a moment in the light of Television.

This is a wholly new thing. It is not cinema. It is not "live" theatre. And it is more intimate than any of them. We know that what the cinema screen is showing is a recorded shadow. We know that the radio is bringing us a disembodied voice. We know at the theatre that between us and the players lies that impassable barrier of the footlights. But the T.V. artist comes into our homes so intimately that thousands of Liberace's fans prepare their houses for him as though he were indeed a guest coming in at the door. For this they have been derided, mocked at; but the mockers miss the whole point. All entertainment rests on the old "willing suspension of disbelief". Nobody is ashamed of being "lost" in a novel, or absorbed by a drama on the stage or screen. But it is exactly the same surrendering to the illusion that prompts people to place a candelabra on the T.V. set when Lee is going to play. It is a gesture of sympathy and delight. It is a lovable thing, not a laughable one. And it is a measure of how much this consummate artist has conquered the new medium and made it his own.

His Tricks

In the same way, it must be emphasised that Lee's "manners", his "tricks" before the cameras, are contrived and deliberate. No greater television artist is now performing. Lee knows that the T.V. performer must be larger than life. His performance is a perpetual close-up, even when the cameras pan away; for the "close-up" is not measured by distance but by emotional temperature. It is so with any great artist. Liberace knows that the exaggerated gesture finds its true perspective as it flies across the unbounded air to come into a million homes. His genius is not a genius for music only, but a genius of a man born exactly for his time. He is the first great personality of T.V. because he has not had to make extensive adjustments of technique, and an actor from the cinema has to do this. He was young enough in years to come to T.V. almost unspoiled by conflicting techniques of other media, but old enough to be already a magnificent musician and artist.

A magnificent artist...well, that's clear every week to forty

million viewers; what of the man himself?

His Church

We have seen him growing up against a background of happy family life, but in the face of poverty. We have seen him make a career for himself in the music he loves. We have seen him succeed marvellously and we have seen him employ the fruits of his success wisely, temperately, and generously. But all these things are external things—background, circumstances, achievements. So, again, the question: what of the man himself?

"My son was a good boy," his mother says. "Thank God, he has grown up to be a good man. He is not ashamed of religion, nor forgetful of it. He was taught in Catholic schools, and brought up to the Catholic Church, and he follows its teachings simply and faithfully. We have seen him succeed marvellously and we have seen him employ the fruits of his success wisely, temperately, and generously. But all these things are external things—background, circumstances, achievements. So, again, the question: what of the man himself?"

"I guess I'm old-fashioned," Lee will say, "but it's simple enough. Even music, which gives so much, cannot give the peace I find at the altar. The wonder to me is that in a world so full of evil, people still stubbornly reject the good they might so easily find with Mother Church."

Perhaps this unquestioning faith lies behind Lee's generous response to the malice of his critics—this faith, and a bubbling sense of humour. No artist of our time has met with such savage criticism, and it is easy to see why. His technique is revolutionary, and the critics are reactionary. They boil with rage if he plays in five minutes some great composition which another artist cannot perform in less than eight—"zinging up Beethoven," they call it, and "Killing the Classics." Killing them?—when he has made millions love them that never listened to "real" music in their lives before? The critics cannot still understand that for such a medium as T.V. a new manner of performing must be born; and that it has been born under the hand of Liberace.

His Fans

But if it be true that the "highbrow" critics have agreed in condemning Liberace, it is also true that his T.V. show is broadcast in America by almost two hundred stations (the exact figure?—197). Over a million records of Liberace have been sold in under three years. He has nearly two hundred fan-clubs up and down the United States (the exact figure?—194). It has been estimated that in that country where such figures are eagerly sought, that in one year nearly one million, three hundred thousand jokes were made about him on the radio (the exact figure?—1,200,000). This is more jokes than are made yearly about mothers-in-law. What all this adds up to in terms of personal following, nobody can compute, but it is absolutely safe to say that no musician in the history of music has made so wide and so certain an appeal. Liberace can afford to smile at his critics. And that is exactly what he does.

More On Monday.

POCKET CARTOON by OSBERT LANCASTER



"Do you remember my asking you the Portuguese for 'It is easier to cook rice' in an amateurish dump?" Well, forget it!"

Why are you wearing a strait-jacket?

That's the question Americans keep asking about Britain... and I'm afraid that I have to stay silent.

New York.

THIS British strike is front-page news here. It could not have come at a worse time. Just when things are going our way and when the Americans are coming round to our view of Nasser, the dictator in the desert.

My friends here say: "What's got into the British?" Just when you are recovering from Suez and are moving ahead with expanded trade and a stable pound, sterling you deliberately put yourselves in a strait-jacket."

I cannot give the answer. I do know that the strike is weakening the country's influence abroad and grievously handicapping Mr Macmillan in his all-important conference with President Eisenhower.

If we cannot keep our own house in order we can't expect the Americans to listen to our advice on how to run theirs.

Before the strike news broke most Americans had expected great things from the Bermuda meeting—the healing of the rift and a new Anglo-American unity.

British officials here say: "The Prime Minister and Mr Selwyn Lloyd intend to talk bluntly."

M. Mollet has reported that the Americans have "an almost mystical confidence in the U.N."

To reality

IT is the aim of Mr Macmillan and Mr Lloyd to bring the President and Mr Dulles out of this dreamland and back to the harsh realities of the world situation and power politics.

President Eisenhower reaches Bermuda tomorrow with his cough much better and his left ear less inflamed.

His Press secretary, James Hagerty, is very angry at reports in some sections of the British Press describing President Eisenhower as "fading, failing, visibly aged, thin, pinched, and drawn."

I can understand Hagerty's acute annoyance.

Do not let us overdo this picture of a President dangerously close to another serious illness and a leader whose power and prestige have declined so drastically.

Mr Eisenhower has tremendous powers of resilience, as he is being quoted all around the

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again during the war and during his first four years as

President.

Like can snap back, and his

doctors, particularly Paul Dickey White the heart specialist, believe he will.

There is no conspiracy of

silence concerning Eisenhower's

health as there was over Franklin Roosevelt's.

It creaks

ONCE the Bermuda Conference is over Mr Eisenhower is expected to reorganise his Cabinet.

It is the oldest Cabinet of any major Western Power. It creaks with age and its arteries are hardening.

I do not think Mr Dulles can last much longer.

Events have proved him wrong: he gambled on Nasser's virtuousness and Nasser has spilt in his face. There is no confidence any longer among Americans in Mr Dulles's ability to run the country's foreign policy or anything else.

Distaff view

THE women particularly are urging him to step down.

Mrs Eleanor Roosevelt says:

"Are we more afraid of Egypt than of Israel? I think we had

better make up our minds that somewhere along the line we

may have to be as tough as

Egypt and show it in the

United Nations."

Footnote: Now the double

standard of the U.N. looks sus-

pectiously like the double cross.

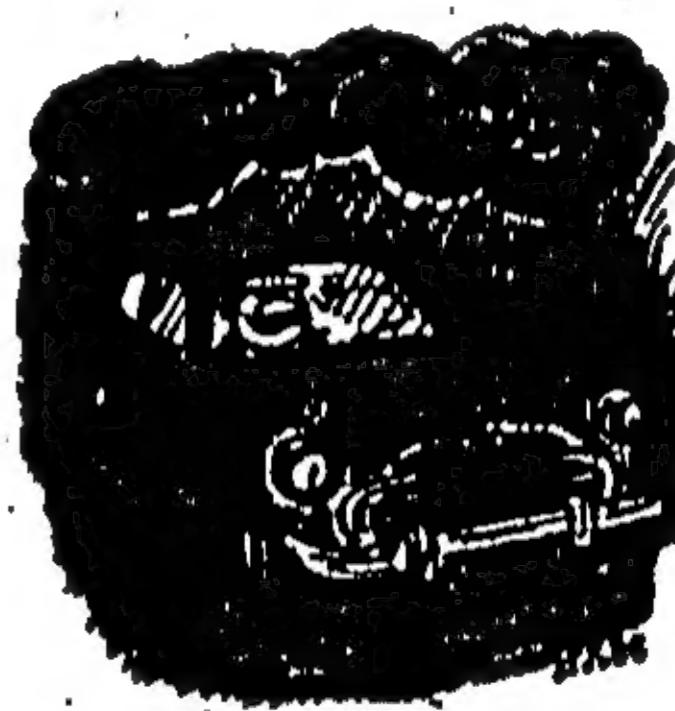


THE KEY QUESTION

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British cars get a beauty treatment

—that stainless steel look is more than skin-deep



What are the advantages of stainless steel in car production?

The term "stainless" is somewhat misleading. Do not imagine that if your car had a stainless steel bumper you could leave it uncleaned for years and expect it to remain unmarked.

Atmospheric conditions in urban areas—rain, plus smoke—are erosive; but if you washed the bumper regularly and dried it off afterwards you would indeed find it as good as when it was new after several years.

If through misuse, or the corrosive agents in the air, that bumper had become pitted, then surface grinding followed by a rubbing down and repolish would restore it quickly and cheaply.

Many motorists prefer the warmer look of stainless steel to the cold glitter of chromium plate.

Sales doubled

The demands of the car industry from Sheffield, home of stainless steel, has been steadily increasing. The largest firm producing stainless steel in Britain has doubled its sales to

car manufacturers in the last five years.

Stainless steel for car trim is, however, but one of 43 types of stainless steel made by this one big firm alone. The order books are very full for 18 months ahead for the sheet, plate and bar stainless steel required by other industries.

That, say the manufacturers, is the great advantage of using stainless steel for the "bright" car parts. The stainless quality, like the lettering in Brighton rock, persists right through while any form of plating can only be skin-deep.

These screws cost £30 a pound...

A pound of screws for odd jobs about the house costs 3s. 6d. But there are also screws that cost £30 a pound, which means they are worth one-quarter of their weight in gold.

They are made of steel blended with the new wonder metal, titanium, so that they can stand up to immense heat in jet engines and the like.

As a raw material this super steel costs £11,200 a ton. It is the most costly steel of all.



TAIKOO SUGAR
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Colony That Fought To Be Free Is Crumbling Into Chaos

RUSSELL SPURR spotlights the siesta land where bribery is a way of life

DJAKARTA. PRESIDENT SUKARNO still exercises before a full-length mirror. He postures in his photogenic uniform, rehearsing the little tricks of public speaking that once sent Indonesia into ecstasies.

The gestures are as professional as ever. But the old magic has gone. The face at 56 has lost its force. A beaming vanity is all that remains.

So much has gone wrong since the little ex-engineer who hated the West strode triumphantly into the Dutch Governor-General's palace in Djakarta eight years ago. The freedom for which he fought so frantically has turned sour.

Indonesia today is one of the most unstable and inefficient countries in the world.

The first minutes of arrival are welcome enough—with invited Customs clerks brandishing sheaves of Indonesian money. But George Washington takes an hour to count them. There is a scramble for the rare taxi driver who will conduct you to transport you for 30s. a mile. The bureaucrats are supposed to be in their offices by 7 a.m. Few turn up before 8.30. They are supposed to leave at 2 p.m. They run home before 12 noon.

The electricity man reads your meter for a fee.

It is all taken so much for granted that when Abdul Gani, the latest Foreign Minister, was charged with pocketing Government funds his friends publicly

kind of give-'em-hell speeches that maintained the old hold over the mob.

declared: "It was only to help election expenses."

President Sukarno is chiefly to blame. He has been incapable of giving the right men their heads. Eighteen Cabinets have normally ruled Indonesia since 1945. But always the only real power has been Sukarno.

He has persistently appointed and manipulated his puppets—in favour of better men—then sacked them whenever their rule became unpopular.

All very convenient—for the President. He has been able to enjoy power without responsibility. But it does not help establishing a strong government.

What Indonesia needs today is harder work, more investment and honest administration. Instead it has been on an eight-year diet of political shilliness, shilly-shallying, bombastic talking and depressing decline.

The President has lived perpetually in the past, fighting and re-writing the half-forgotten battles with the Dutch. He has diverted national energies into a sterile campaign for possession of Dutch New Guinea.

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keep everything in the dark.

The army does everything in fact but govern, the crumbling republic—and this latest crisis may only be a pause before it seizes power.

Sukarno is angry with the army and with politicians who spurn his plans.

Never in his political career has he been so thwarted. He sits sullenly in his splendid palace refusing to see reason.

He peers instead into the full-length mirror where the iron cage now glistens to him out of the past.

• BY • THE • WAY •

by Beachcomber

THE small millionairess who complained that it is the big women who can carry the heaviest weight of jewellery, forgot that a tiny baroness, so weighted down with the staff that she could not walk, was carried into the weighing-room at a ball at Biarritz, and beat the field by more than 3 cwt. Her load was valued at £793,000 7s. 7d., but before dancing she had to divest herself of nearly half a ton of gewgaws. The big women could, of course, carry more while dancing, but one of their partners said that it was pretty heavy going, with the risk of a bang in the face from a diamond pendant swinging at its moorings.

The Deadly Pudding (6)

"MAY I see your handbag?" Malpractice asked. Mavis Whimbrel looked confused and frightened as she handed it over. Malpractice opened it. "Him!" he said. "What are all these poisons?" "Weed-killer for my garden," said Mavis. "Was Mr Wensleydale one of the weeds you hoped to kill?" This ghoulish jest reduced the girl to silence. At the handcuff snapped round her dainty wrist, she said, "I can explain. I only wanted to make him ill, so that I could nurse him back to health." Malpractice snarled, "I suppose," said Mavis, "anything I say may be used in evidence against me?" "That is so," said Malpractice. "Then — for a star-blast!" said the girl, rallying her spirits. "Just a social mixt," muttered Malpractice, as he led her from the restaurant.

In passing

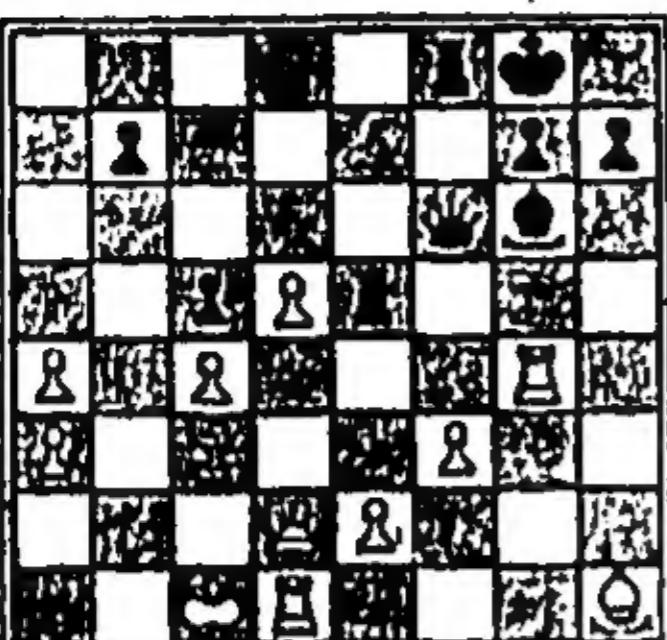
WHENEVER theatre audiences, which are always being accused by the critics of stupidity and apathy, rouse themselves to express violent

Electronic strike

ELECTRONIC brains are becoming so intelligent that it cannot be long before they organise strikes. The prospect of a crowd of 30,000 miles-on-hour guided rockets immobilised, and a heap of "thinking" hydrogen bombs lying idle, is enough to appal every lover of peace

CHESS

By LEONARD BARDEN



From actual play; Black to move and win. Solution to yesterday's problem: 1 P-K5 (threat 2 P-P). A classic.

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K76			
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WEST			
Q 6 2			
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Q 1 0 8			
4 A J 1 0 2			
7 0 4			
4 K 1 0 4			
EAST			
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4 8 3			
Q 1 0 8			
4 A J 1 0 2			
7 0 4			
4 Q 3			
SOUTH (D)			
4 K 1 0 7			
4 A 5			
4 Q 9 8 3			
4 B			
No one vulnerable			
South	West	North	East
1 ♠	Pass	2 ♠	Pass
3 ♦	Pass	3 ♦	Pass
4 N.T.	Pass	5 ♦	Pass
6 ♦	Pass	Pass	Pass
Opening lead — 2			

with his next to last trump. This set up dummy's club suit, and now Peter led his ace of trumps and held his breath until both opponents had followed suit.

This lucky break in trumps insured the slam but Mr Cabral was not content. He had discarded dummy's five of diamonds on the last trump and now played a heart to dummy's king.

He proceeded to run dummy's four clubs and discarded the three, nine, queen and king of diamonds. Then he got to his hand with the ace of hearts.

West carefully noted those cards but overlooked the fact that the eight was still missing. Hence he let his ace of diamonds than those usually encountered in Italian restaurants, good as they are.

One inexpensive everyday dish, a good and nourishing soup-stew, is perfect for this time of year.

Cook 1 lb. soup meat in 1 qt. water, being careful not to

overcook it and removing it before it becomes stringy. Cut the meat into small cubes.

Place 2 tbsp. bone marrow in a stew pot with 1/2 c. minced onions, 3 tbsp. olive oil and minced garlic clove.

When onions begin to brown, add the meat, 2 tsp. minced

parsley, 4 seeded and chopped

tomatoes and 2 tsp. dried mushrooms that have been soaked in hot water for 1 hr., then chopped.

Lower flame, season with 1/2 tsp. salt and 1/4 tsp. pepper and allow to simmer for about 20 min. If it becomes dry, add a little of the broth. Serve very hot. Serves 4.

For a fish dish that is different, try fillets of sole, fried and pickled.

To serve, clean and dry 2 lbs. fish.

Mix 1/3 c. flour and tsp. salt together on a plate and roll the fish in it.

Heat 1/3 c. olive oil in skillet. Add 3 chopped, medium-sized onions and fry until light brown. Remove onions to a hot plate and keep warm.

Place the fish, 2 1/2 c. chopped, seedless raisins, 2 tbsp. chopped

almonds in the oil. Fry fish golden brown on both sides.

When brown, remove from oil and return fried onions to

the mixture in the pan — and heat thoroughly. Put fish in deep dish and cover with vinegar mixture so that it covers the entire fish. Allow to stand for at least 3 hrs., then serve.

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Here is a delicious dessert.

Porboli 1 lb. noodles and pine, when cooled, in a baking dish. Add cinnamon sticks to

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The two pretty daughters of the British Ambassador, Sir Gladwyn Jobb, have both

ordered silk organza ball dresses from Lanvin. Blonde Stella has selected a high-waisted

gown with the skirt of red

organza, topped by a white, off-

shoulder, bodice embroidered with small white daisies.

Vanessa Jobb will contrast her dark hair with a slender white

gown typical of Castillo's

Japanese theme. The wide ob-

YOUR BIRTHDAY ... By STELLA

FRIDAY, MARCH 29

BORN today, you have tremendous physical stamina and the ability to stick to a job until it is completed. Although you have many business interests and others when pressed for time, you also have the ability to handle social life with aplomb. You are a good manager and may be asked to handle large projects from their inception to their completion.

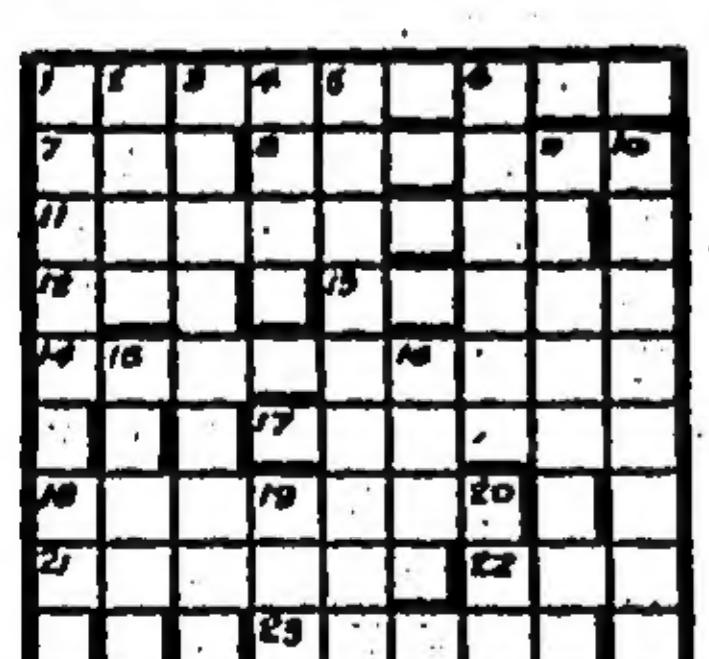
Your business instinct is well developed and is likely that you will become quite wealthy during your lifetime. Your tastes are artistic, it is likely that you will have some definite talent in the arts. You are not however, to starve for your art! If you have the time, then return you consider communistic with your talents and efforts, then you will turn to something else and have your art as a hobby. You will wait until retirement before developing this gift for self-expression.

SATURDAY, MARCH 30

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 19) — Seek variety in your week-end relaxation to let down tensions. There could be some romance, too! TUESDAY (Mar. 26) — This may be your last week-end for some time to indulge in light-hearted recreation. Some busy days ahead! GEMINI (May 21-June 21) — Get early to bed this evening and tie up loose ends of work so you can spend the rest of the week-end enjoying life.

CANCER (June 22-July 22) — Consider any suddenly projected changes with a cautious eye. Make

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Tomorrow's Chances At The Valley

By "RAPIER"

Racing enthusiasts will once again be thronging to Happy Valley tomorrow for the First Day of the Hongkong Jockey Club's Tenth Race Meeting. There are 10 races on the programme.

The first saddling bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m. with the First Race starting at 2.00 p.m. sharp.

Though there is no special event tomorrow, the Victoria Peak Handicap from the 1½ Mile Post for Class 1 ponies is the best.

Here are my estimates of the chances:

FIRST RACE (Victoria Peak Handicap—1½ Miles)

The curtain-raiser is for Class 9 ponies over the champion distance to be ridden by approved riders who have not won 10 races at any time.

A perusal of the entries would seem to indicate that Happy Warrior (C. E. Hulse), Desert Gold (Andrew Chan), Green Velvet (Sam Chow) and V. I. P. (W. M. Chan) are the principal contenders.

Happy Warrior, judging from its second placing behind Vigorous Avn. in the Inspiration Handicap over the two-mile post on the last day of the Annual Meeting, should have a good chance of winning, but it would expect strong opposition from Desert Gold which is fighting fit at the moment.

Green Velvet is good enough to extend the others if it can take the lead from the start. Then there is V.I.P., which is also considered good enough to put in a strong challenge.

SECOND RACE (Victoria Peak Handicap—From 1½ Mile Post)

This sprint race is confined to 1657 ponies. Ponies which have won \$1,750 or more in stakes are invited. Weight 147 lbs.

Judging from its training gallop on Tuesday morning, March 26, when it completed the mile in 1.58.3—just a quarter 2.2 seconds—Welcome (H. K. Chuang) and Co-ordination (A. Gravett) which have shown much promise in their morning exercises.

Should Edinburgh (M. Samarec) get off to a good start, the pony has all the speed to score here. Serbu (K. Kwok) is well prepared for a win and it certainly deserves serious consideration.

FOURTH RACE (Victoria Peak Handicap—From 1½ Mile Post)

This is the main event of the day and should be a searcher as we have a galaxy of sprinters contesting the premier honour.

My choice is between two fleet-footed animals. They are Winsome Stage (H. K. Chuang) and Red Light (H. K. Hung).

Babie (K. Kwok) and Rale (Robert Tsai) are great sprinters too and must figure prominently.

I think Golden Branch (W. K. Shieh) and Ivan-Ho (A. Ostromoff) are fit enough

which will be taken out by Chun Kit.

THIRD RACE (From 1½ Miles—One Mile)

This race will be contested by 1657 ponies. Ponies which have won less than \$1,750 or more than \$6,250 in stakes are barred. Weight: Winners of not more than \$1,750 in stakes, 135 lbs; of not more than \$3,500, 140 lbs; of not more than \$5,750, 142 lbs; of not more than \$10,250, 145 lbs.

Magie Eyes (Alex Lam) is showing top form and should be a firm favourite.

Ponies ready to offer opposition are Golden City (H. K. Hung) and Co-ordination (A. Gravett) which have shown much promise in their morning exercises.

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FIFTH RACE (Mount Parker Handicap—1½ Miles)

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Forward View (H. C. Phu) is in fine fettle too and can be counted upon for a creditable performance.

Longer shots are Amapola (M. Samarec), Gallant Knight (K. Kwok) and High Noon (C. L. Liu).

SIXTH RACE (Mount Parker Handicap—First Section)—One Mile)

With champion jockey K. Kwok as its pilot, it is difficult to foresee any other pony but Bashful Beauty II passing the winning post first.

Kelipe (A. Ostromoff) has shown a welcome return to winning form and could be near, while Balkan Monarch (Chun Kit) and Helican (Robert Tsai) are not altogether out of the reckoning.

One of the outstanding ponies in this race is Confuser (H. K. Chuang), while both Ol' Lop Princets (W. R. Holman) and Tiger Shark (C. A. Lee) have been beautifully tuned for this outing.

An excellent outsider for this event is New Delhi (Albert Lam).

EIGHTH RACE (Stone Hill Stakes—One Mile)

This race is confined to 1657 ponies. Ponies which have won \$1,750 or more in stakes are barred. Weight 147 lbs.

I don't think I will be far wrong in stating that Shillelagh (M. Samarec) has the best recommendation for the premier position.

Asian Diamond (H. K. Chuang) may prove dangerous, with Curtain Calls (W. R. Holman) also having a say in the matter. As an outsider, Tai Ping Shan (K. Kwok) is worth following.

NINTH RACE (Mount Butler (First Section)—Six Furlongs)

The two best ponies in this race are Karrera (K. Kwok) and Another Victory (H. H. Chan).

Karrera won the Lingfield Park Handicap (Second Section) over the mile at the Fifth Race Meeting for Class 7 ponies and, judging by that performance, I think it has a good chance of scoring a win here.

Another Victory has shown improvement during morning gallops after coming in second in the Eastern Handicap (Third Section) on the Second Day of the Annual Meeting and must therefore be seriously considered.

Hiram C (Albert Lam) and Stratvhohr (Andrew Lam) are also good over this distance and are fit enough to be a menace to the above-named ponies if favoured with a good start.

TENTH RACE (Mount Butler Handicap—Second Section)—One Mile)

This race will wind up the first day of the Tenth Race Meeting in which the Second Section of Class 3 ponies will fight out the issue.

Everything points to yet another winning ride for K. Kwok, the "Champion Jockey." He will again take out Pandora and the combination's previous win over six furlongs is sure to be still fresh in the minds of many punters.

Sportsman (C. L. Liu) is a vastly improved racer and ought to have some say at the finish, while Tom Thumb (M. Samarec) will certainly not be too far behind the leaders at the finishing post.

Lare Triomph will be taken out by H. K. Chuang and the combination is worth following at a price, especially should the going be wet or heavy.

During his last training bout, D'Agata showed he had an almost inexhaustible wind, and that his reflexes were excellent and that he still had a lot of power behind his punches.

The Italian champion is counting on his resilience, experience, aggressiveness, courage and relentless activity in the ring to defeat a younger, more powerful, speedier and more athletic opponent. Hallim has never fought so far over 15 rounds.

Manager Cecchi said it was a well-known fact that D'Agata had some time to warm up and that therefore the first six rounds against Hallim would be most dangerous for him, as had been the case in his fight against Cohen—France-France.

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Simonstown, Mar. 28. The Royal Navy base here, a base which Nelson on one occasion urged the British Government to return to the Dutch, will be transferred to the South African Government on April 2.

Nelson first came to Simonstown as a midshipman, and many years later as Admiral Lord Nelson he urged the government of the day to "give it back to the Dutch."

"It is only a revictualling station," he said.

"When the Dutch were in command, one could buy a cabbage for two-pence. Now they are one shilling each."

In April, the base, which has been called the "Gibraltar of the South Atlantic," is to pass into the hands of the South African Navy a small but efficient and growing force to be commanded by Rear-Admiral Hugo Hendrik Biermann, MBE. But ships of the Royal Navy will continue to have facilities at the base and in the event of war to operate from there.

At the age of 40, Rear-Admiral Biermann is the first South African-appointed Admiral in history, though three other South Africans have risen to the rank of Admiral in the Royal Navy. He is expected to be in residence at Admiralty House, a picturesque former farmhouse, when the handing over ceremony takes place at the flag-decorated base.

Simonstown base has been associated with nearly three centuries of South African history.

Safe Anchorage

In 1807, Simon van der Stel arrived at Zelgein Bay as it was then called. The bay, well sheltered by hills rising out of the sea, so impressed him that he renamed it after himself—Simonstown.

Less than half a century later, its importance as a safe anchorage was becoming increasingly recognised and survey was carried out.

More and more ships called there, and in 1741, the Dutch East India Company decided that between May and August of each year the fleets would anchor there. Also to be seen sailing at anchor were naval ships flying the flags of Britain, France and Portugal.

Britain's real link with the base only came towards the end of the 18th century. Realising the threat to the free movement of ships of the English East India Company of the French war vessels based on Reunion and Mauritius, the British Government on July 14, 1795, sent a force under Major-General Craig to occupy Simonstown.

Except for a few years the Royal Navy has remained in control ever since.

Napoleonic Wars

The British left the Cape in 1803 under the terms of the Treaty of Amiens, but their ships continued to use the base at Simonstown in increasing numbers. When the Napoleonic wars started, however, Britain did not hesitate again to take possession of this "key to the East."

In January 1806, a fleet of 63 British ships anchored off Blaauwberg and the second occupation of the Cape began.

Soon, Simonstown was busy with British warships calling for stores and repairs.

Since then, hundreds of warships have been repaired at the modern base at Simonstown.

During World War Two alone, 170 naval vessels and 60 merchantmen called here for repairs while thousands of officers and seamen were nursed back to health in the hospital overlooking the Sunlit Bay.

In 1898, the Cape Parliament ceded Simonstown to the Admiralty as a naval base, and in 1921 the Union Government took

Saigon Woman's
PageantHistoric Bronze
Age Bracelet
Found In Norway

By ELIZABETH KITTON

Oslo, Mar. 28.

A 3,000-year-old gold bracelet, twice buried in Norwegian ground and twice dug up again, will soon be on view to the public in a museum at Trondheim.

Its exhibition follows a long drawn out legal battle over its ownership.

The bracelet is of solid gold of a beautiful plain design. It is of the type to be worn above the elbow and is not a complete circlet of gold, but has a small gap to allow for stretching to get it over the elbow.

Museum experts who have studied it say that it dates back to the Bronze Age and is typical of gold jewellery made in the Danish Islands from metal which originally came from Ireland.

Prehistoric Find

It was in 1930 that two labourers working on a road on the island of Nord Auler, in Western Norway, found the bracelet while they were digging. They probably did not realise its value as a prehistoric find, but they saw that it was of solid gold. So they took it to Molde, the nearest town, and sold it to a goldsmith for the value of the gold by weight.

The goldsmith, Mr Herman Hagen, gave them 150 crowns (about £7 10s.) for it. Since then the bracelet has been in his possession.

But Norwegian law lays down that all objects d'art, goods and chattels of historic or prehistoric interest, found in the earth, are the property of the state.

The law specifically mentions jewellery, weapons, tools, household implements and other goods, and states the compensation to be paid to both the finder and the owner of the land on which such articles are discovered. All finds should be reported at once to the Government department concerned, which has the right to dispute a suitable museum to preserve them.

It was not until 1953, when the Molde goldsmith, Mr

Hagen, asked the Curator of the local Rosendal Museum whether the bracelet had any historic value, that the find was reported and experts from Oslo University went up to investigate.

They soon found that the find was an extremely interesting one, such bracelets being very rare. They decided that it was probably the bracelet referred to under the name of "Moldé," which is described in the famous Norwegian Sagas by Snorre Sturlason. In his Saga about "The Sons of Erik," Snorre tells of a bracelet which was found in the ground in about the year 900. It was realised, even at that time, that it was an extremely ancient and valuable bracelet.

Harald Græf, a local Viking chief, heard of the find and, according to Snorre's tale, succeeded in getting possession of it by the simple process of a lawsuit in which he was both the plaintiff and the judge.

The Saga goes on to tell how Harald Græf was a very miserly fellow, and he buried the bracelet to make sure that no one else should get hold of it.

Moldé

The experts believe that it must be this bracelet, "Moldé," which was found by the two road workers on Nord Auler in 1930. For, according to the Saga, Harald Græf spent several winters on Nord Auler where his Viking ships were usually laid up for the winter in the Rosendal.

Whether he died without telling his heirs where he had hidden his treasure is not quite clear. But the bracelet has certainly lain buried there for over 1,000 years, and had probably been in the earth for another 2,000 years before the Vikings found it in the year 900.

When the museum experts started investigating the whole matter in 1953, Goldsmith Hagen claimed ownership of the bracelet and said that he intended bequeathing it to the Rosendal Museum. He pointed to the clause in the law which says that if the Government department fails to claim possession within six months, they lose their right to the find. But the department, on their side, claimed that the find had not been reported in the proper manner in the first place.

Process Of Law

Since then, the matter has been slowly going through the various processes of the law, processes which are considerably more complicated and careful than they were in the days of Harald Græf. Goldsmith Hagen's claim for possession of the bracelet failed in the lower court, but he appealed against its decision. Now the Supreme Court has upheld the lower court's judgment, and ordered that the bracelet shall be the property of and be placed in the care of the Science Society's Museum at Trondheim.

Mr Hagen had to pay £600 (276) in court costs for his trouble.

At present, the bracelet, the value of which is now put at at least 8,000 crowns (£400), is in safe keeping in the vaults of a bank at Molde. But in the near future it will be sent to Trondheim for exhibition in the Museum there. — China Mail Special.

MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN



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There's More than Magic in CADBURY'S
It is Perfection

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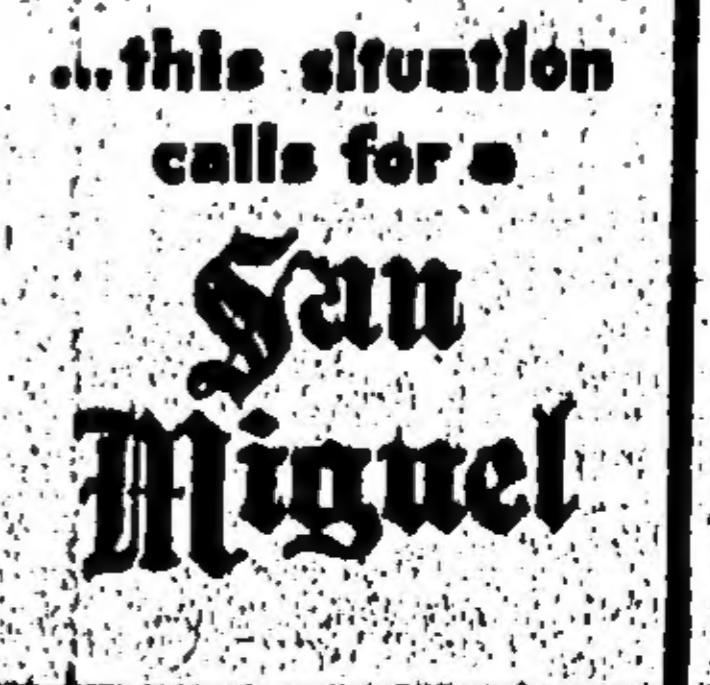
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Mail Notices

The latest times of posting
below are those for the
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posting times elsewhere in
China and abroad can be ascertained
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The latest posting times for
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FRIDAY, MARCH 29

By Air

Port Moresby, U.S.A., 1 p.m.
Thailand, Malaya, N. Borneo, Indonesia,
Africa, Great Britain and Europe, 6 p.m.
Canada, 8 p.m.

By Surface

U.S.A., C. & S. America, 3 p.m.
Mexico, Australia, Japan, 10 p.m.

By Air

Peking, Shanghai, Hankow, Kun-
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Thailand, Malaya, N. Borneo, Indonesia,
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Hawaii, U.S.A., Canada, 8 p.m.
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TRADE and COMMERCE

SHARE MARKET CLOSES LOWER

Widespread Losses
On The Week

TURNOVER FALLS

By A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

Last week's improvement in share prices was shortlived and the market closed this week with widespread small losses.

The turnover fell quite substantially from \$4.14 million to \$2.69 million and the tally for the week was four higher, seven steady and thirteen lower against 12 higher, nine steady and three lower last week.

The reason for the dullness is hard to state precisely. China Lights, because of the protests against the recent increase in surcharge, are inclined to be out of favour at the moment. The long hoped for bonus issue can not be expected as long as the surcharge remains, brokers feel.

Market men say that Hongkong Electric are also inclined to be depressed because of the surcharge.

Hongkong and Shanghai Banks have brightened up on the news of a rise in London registers up from £91½ to £93½.

Another big share to rise this week was Union Insurance which rose 50 to \$945 on a middling quote.

Dairy Farms Lower

Among the losers this week was Dairy Farm which announced an unchanged final of \$1.10. The loss was 40 cents, Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels was another "bit" loser, down 40 cents on the week.

Green Island Cement are 50 cents lower at \$33.

Elsewhere prices are slightly lower where changed.

WORLD RUBBER MARKETS

New York, Mar. 28. The rice rubber contract today closed 50 to 60 points lower with sales of 95 contracts.

May 11.00

July 10.65-10.80

September 10.60

November 10.35

January 10.15

March 10.75

May 10.75

Standards contract closed 50 to

55 points lower with no sales.

May 11.02

July 10.87

September 10.60

November 10.35

January 10.15

March 10.75

May 10.75

Prices continued erratic with

line of least resistance on the

downside. After a hesitant

start, prices broke sharply.

After a partial rally, prices

softened again at the close.

Large dealer interests with in-

ternational connections were the

leading seller, with pressure

from that direction touching off

stop-loss orders.

Other dealers were scale-

down buyers, presumably cover-

ing of short positions on the

decline. Local sellers also were

reported offering in the Amster-

dam market. Lower London

cables, plus the discouragingly

slow demand from consumers,

remained the dominant in-

fluences.

Current prices are the lowest

in several weeks, some tech-

nicians thought the decline might

carry a little further before

consumer's interest is attracted.

Spot No. 1 Res was quoted

locally at 31 cents a pound.

SINGAPORE

The market opened around

the previous levels but it eas-

ed on heavy liquidation. At lower

levels there was a good demand

for lower grade.

The market steadied with

sellers reserved. Futures:

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